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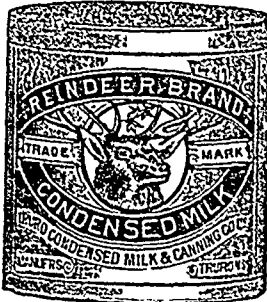
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WINNIPEG, NOVEMBER 18, 1895.

Manitoba.

T. A. Shortroed, livery and feed stables, Morden, is dead.

R. Ross, general merchant, Elkhorn, has sold out to M. Finklestine.

Ross & Maw, dealers in vehicles, etc., Winnipeg, contemplate dissolution.

Hanbly & Co., have taken over the business of S. M. Jackson, general merchant of High Bluff.

The Melita Enterprise has entered on its fifth year. The Commercial wishes it a prosperous year.

The Winnipeg Electric Street Railway put their new plant in operation Tuesday. The plant is considered to be one of the largest and best electrical power plants now in use.

W. B. Scarth, of Winnipeg, left for Ottawa last week, where he will permanently reside. He was banqueted by the Manitoba Club before his departure.

D. C. Lamont will open business in the hardware line at Neepawa. The stock in his old stand has been purchased by Mr. Forester of Hartney.

Thompson & Smith's livery, and sale stable at Minnetosa was destroyed by fire on Nov. 10. Insurance \$600. All of the horses were removed from the building but five or six of them went in again unnoticed and were burned.

Merrick, Anderson & Co., Winnipeg, are mailing to the trade this week a special supplementary catalogue of the new Jewel stoves and heaters for burning native lignite coal.

Alberta.

A pork packing industry has been started at South Edmonton by Howard & Co.

The stable of Thos. Cullen, Calgary, was burned Nov. 9. Loss \$1,500; insurance \$800.

The force of men is being increased at the Lethbridge coal mines.

George Hutton dealer in agricultural implements, Edmonton has assigned.

Northwest Ontario.

J. W. Buchanan, of Winnipeg, has been awarded a contract by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to take out \$0,000 ties at once for track improvement. He will send a

force of 150 men to Oxdrift, near Eagle river, where his camp is located. Other extensive tie contracts have recently been let by the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Assiniboia.

R. H. Williams, Regina, has opened a branch store at Balgonie.

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

The following shows the number of cars of wheat inspected at *Winnipeg for the weeks ended on the dates named, compared with the number of cars inspected for the corresponding weeks a year ago, as reported by Inspector Horn to the Board of Trade:—

Grade.	Oct. 12	Oct. 19	Oct. 26	Nov. 2	Nov. 9
Extra Manitoba hard.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 hard.....	168	0	180	92	69
No. 2 hard.....	41	18	35	37	27
No. 3 hard.....	47	32	45	54	30
No. 1 North'n.....	43	56	22	24	18
No. 2 North'n.....	3	5	5	5	11
No. 3 North'n.....	0	3	4	3	0
No. 1 white type.....	4	0	3	3	0
No. 2 white type.....	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Spring.....	30	19	15	9	2
No. 2 Spring.....	0	1	3	0	0
No. 1 frosted.....	60	37	50	34	27
No. 2 frosted.....	31	31	34	24	0
No. 3 Frosted.....	11	6	8	7	7
No. 1 Rejected.....	28	21	21	21	6
No. 2 Rejected.....	57	29	50	42	28
No Grade.....	1	1	1	0	0
Total.....	622	341	426	335	234
Same week last year.....	136	142	211	164	143

*Wheat inspected at Emerson going out via the Northern Pacific to Duluth, is included in Winnipeg returns. A considerable portion of the wheat moving is inspected at Fort William, and does not show in these figures.

Winnipeg Markets a Year Ago.

Wheat.—No. 1 hard, c.i.f. Fort William afloat, 59 to 60c and 40 to 49c to farmers, Manitoba country points.
Flour.—Local price, per sack, Patents, \$1.45; Bakers, \$1.35.
Bran.—Per ton, \$10.
Shorts.—Per ton, \$12.
Oats.—Per bushel, car lots, 23 to 24c.
Barley.—Per bushel, feed 28c to 30; malting 33.
Flax Seed.—\$1.00 to \$1.10.
Butter.—Round lots country dairy 12 to 14c.
Cheese.—Small lots 11 to 11½c.
Eggs.—Fresh, 14c, round lots.
Beef.—Fresh, per lb., 4 to 5c.
Mutton.—Fresh, and lamb, 5½ to 6c.
Hogs.—Dressed, 5 to 5½c.
Cattle.—Butchers, 2 to 2½c.
Hogs.—Live, off cars, 4c.
Sheep.—\$2.25 to \$2.40 per 100 pounds.
Seneca Root.—19 to 20c.
Chickens.—7 to 8c.
Hides.—No. 1 cows, 2½c.
Potatoes.—45 to 50c per bushel.
Hay.—\$4.50 to \$5.50 per ton, car lots.
Wool.—8 to 9c, unwashed fleece.

Manitoba Wheat Movement.

Receipts of wheat at Fort William from September 1 to November 9 amount to 6,664,156 bushels, as compared with 6,707,052 bushels for the same period last year. Shipments east of Fort William for export or to Eastern Canada from September 1 to November 9 amount to 4,575,439 bushels, as compared with 6,465,932 bushels for the corresponding period of last year, showing a falling off of about 1,890,000 bushels in shipments this year. Stocks at Fort William on November 9 were 2,259,992 bushels, compared with 1,100,483 bushels a year ago. Receipts for the week ended November 9 at Fort William were 1,060,553 bushels (the largest

week this season) and shipments from that point were 990,382, also the largest week's shipments on this crop. For the corresponding week last year receipts were 717,696 bushels and shipments 1,021,222 bushels.

Adding about 1,000,000 bushels gone out by Duluth for the season, and 1,000,000 carried out this week by the Canadian Pacific Railway to Fort William, the total movement of wheat out of Manitoba on this crop would aggregate about 8,700,000 bushels, exclusive of flour.

Winnipeg Clearing House.

Clearings for the week ending November 14, were \$1,981,395; balances, \$340,944. For the previous week clearings were \$2,351,555. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were \$1,492,242. For the month of October clearings were \$7,911,958, as compared with \$6,786,730 for October last year.

Following are the returns of other Canadian clearing houses for the weeks ended on the dates given:

	Nov. 7.	Oct. 31.
Montreal..	\$12,015,285	\$11,252,085
Toronto...	7,212,006	6,141,007
Halifax...	1,397,054	1,079,182
Winnipeg.	2,351,555	1,944,744
Hamilton.	956,304	620,625
Total	\$28,932,204	\$21,037,593

Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.

A Chicago paper says that a gigantic transportation pool is being formed, which will control not only all the railway traffic from Chicago to the seaboard, but also the lake and Erie canal transportation facilities. Such a pool if possible would be a bad thing for the entire Northwest.

The Chicago Trade Bulletin of Nov. 11 says: The tariff to New York is 20c per 100 lbs. on flour and grain and 30c for provisions. Through rates to Liverpool were easier at 33½ to 34.06c 100 lbs on flour, 43½ to 49.69c on provisions, 15.80c per bushel for wheat and 14.80 for corn. Rates to Antwerp were 3 to 4c over Liverpool. The lake and rail lines are blocked and unable to take business as readily as of late. Rates to New York were 17½c per 100 lbs on flour, 8c on wheat. Lake rates to Buffalo at 3c for wheat.

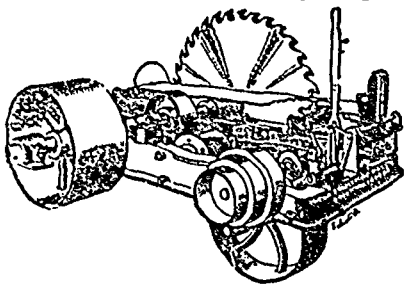
The Canadian Pacific Railway have reduced the tariff on the Prince Albert branch, on commodities covered by special tariff No. 269, including grain, flour, millstuffs, flax seed, vegetables, etc. Hereafter the rates on this branch on these commodities will be the same as are charged on the main line, east of Moose Jaw.

Financial and Insurance Matters.

"Our Monthly" published by the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company, Toronto, offers \$20 for the best argument for life insurance, in the form of a story, not exceeding fifteen hundred words. Particulars from the editor of Our Monthly, 63 Yongo street, Toronto.

The heretofore favorable results on the lives of total abstainers in the United Kingdom and General Provident Institution, of London, seem to be well maintained, according to its 1894 experience. Actuary Hardy reports that in the temperance section the expected claims were \$46 for \$143,000, while the actual claims were 237 for \$250,300. In the general section, the expected claims were 396 for \$183,500, and the actual claims 351 for \$471,900.

Wm. Macdonnell & Co., traders, Bear Hills, have closed out the Wetaskowin branch of their business.

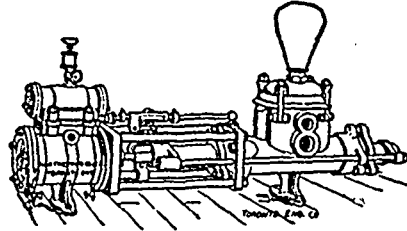


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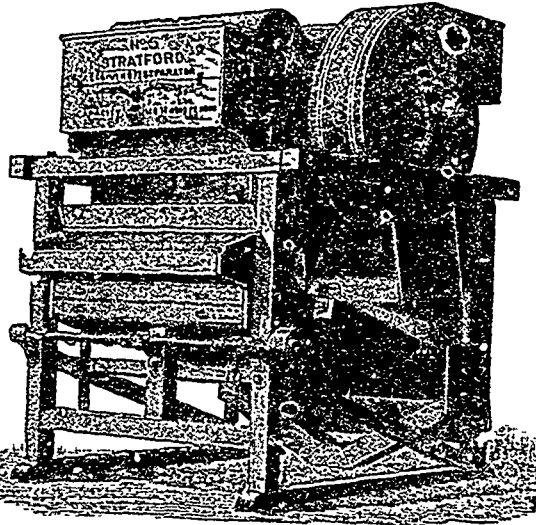
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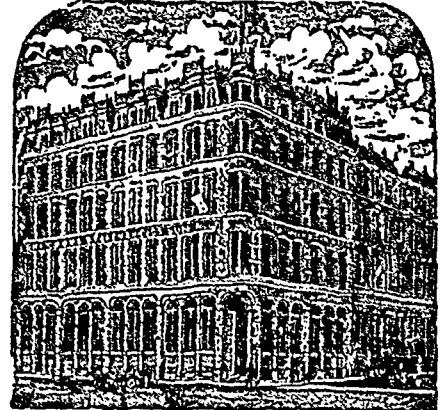
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CIVIC GOVERNMENT REFORM.

Elsewhere in this issue of The Commercial we publish in full the report of the committee appointed to draft a plan of government for the city of Winnipeg. We have not space to discuss at length the plan proposed. The Commercial, however, is well known to be in favor of a responsible plan of civic government, as against the present irresponsible system of government. We have for years contended that the present mode of civic government is not adapted to a town or city of any size, and what is evidently required is responsible business management for civic affairs. We would apply the same business principles to the management of a city that are applied to any large business enterprise. Let the citizens stand for the stockholders, and the aldermen would represent the directors; then go ahead on a business basis. This is simple enough and we believe is common sense. The present system of civic government is not based on good business principles. It is irresponsible, slipshod in its working, tends to extravagance and waste and is altogether lacking in executive motive power and control. We are not prepared to say that the plan for the better government of the city as outlined by the committee, is the best that could be devised. Further discussion may indicate desirable changes. Under the proposed plan we believe the number of aldermen might be reduced, though this is not an important point. What is of more importance, however, is the mode of electing aldermen. This we believe should be done by a vote of the whole city and not on the ward principle. Local or sectional feeling would thus be reduced, and the election of the best men would be assured. The ward system has a tendency to favor the election of men who have some local or sectional popularity, but who would not find favor with the citizens at large. Again, it is proposed in the plan submitted by the committee to make the chairman of one of the civic committees an executive officer. This, we think, would necessitate the election of the aldermen by the city at large, as an executive officer should not represent a single ward in the council, but the city as a whole. It is quite true that the executive officer would be appointed by the council and not directly elected to that position by the ward, but nevertheless he is supposed to represent a particular ward in the council and not the city as a whole. It may be said that the same course of reasoning could be applied to members of a provincial or federal government. In the latter case, however, it is not practical to have the members elected by the whole country, while in the case of a city it is practical to elect aldermen by a general vote, and besides being practical it would, we believe, be a great improvement over the ward plan.

NOTE.—In the article above some expressions are used which are very similar to words used in an issue of the Free Press which

appeared a few days ago. Nevertheless, The Commercial article was written and in type before the Free Press article appeared.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

In an article in The Commercial of a week ago, under the head of the "Wheat Situation in Canada," we stated that the comparatively high price of Ontario wheat this year would be a great advantage to Manitoba millers. We also referred in our market report last week to the exceptional position of the wheat and flour markets in Eastern Canada. What The Commercial said last week is borne out by statements made by eastern papers, which have since come to hand. The Montreal Gazette of Nov. 8 says: "There was a firmer tone to the flour market to day for the Ontario grades, and prices in some cases were 10c to 15c per barrel higher. The prospect is that Ontario fall wheat flour will be dearer than Manitoba flour in some cases in the near future, owing to the scarcity of Ontario fall wheat and the high prices prevailing. Some of the millers have paid over 75c per bushel for fall wheat delivered at the mills. Another Montreal paper of the same date says: "Never in the history of some of the leading millers has there been experienced such a pressing demand for high grade Manitoba flour as during the past two weeks, and all orders are accompanied with instructions for immediate shipment." This all indicates that there is a good season ahead for Manitoba millers. Our millers will be able to take advantage of the comparatively high price of Ontario wheat, to push business actively in Eastern Canada markets. Once the people there become accustomed to Manitoba flour, they will demand it in the future, even should the former parity of prices be restored. The effect of the present season is therefore likely to be far reaching in its influence upon our flour trade.

SOME needless alarm has been created by a cable from London which reports that the British government is preparing a bill to provide for the permanent exclusion of cattle from British markets, except for slaughter at British ports. Some have taken this to mean that it would entirely destroy our export cattle trade to Great Britain. The fact is, it would not alter the present situation, but would simply make the present arrangements governing imports (which are supposed to be temporary) permanent. It is also expected that the same restrictions will be applied to sheep, on the ground that there is danger from scab. It is alleged that scab has been found in several lots of sheep arriving this season from the United States and Canada. In this connection we may say that it is understood here that scab has been entirely eradicated in our range country, where it was introduced from the United States three years ago. The enforcement of the restrictive measures in Great Britain is a double form of protection. While they are put into effect ostensibly on the ground that they are necessary to prevent the spread of contagious diseases, it seems very probable that the fear of foreign competition against the home live stock industry has a great deal to do with the enforcement of the regulations. Protection

pure and ample would not of course be tolerated by the British people at home, but protection in a roundabout way appears to be all right.

The need of population in this great western country is emphasized by the move to hold an immigration convention at St. Paul, Minnesota. We are not familiar with the programme of the proposed convention, but presume the convention is being held with the object of devising means of securing settlers for the country. Conventions are popular these days, and this one will not do any harm, and possibly some good may be accomplished. The movement, however, shows that the people of the states to the south of us are quite as anxious for more settlers as we are here. It was very courteous of the St. Paul people to invite delegates from Winnipeg to attend their convention, in view of the fact that there has been considerable rivalry between our southern neighbors and ourselves, in the matter of immigration. It has been considered heretofore that our interests were antagonistic in this respect. Perhaps if the people on each side of the boundary will work more in harmony in the future, in endeavoring to secure settlers, that better results will be accomplished by each. Several delegates from Winnipeg will attend the convention, representing the city council, board of trade, provincial government, etc.

THE season is now at hand when the danger from fires increases. With the advent of colder weather the number of fires usually increases. Merchants should see that they are fully protected. In this age, the man who neglects to protect himself to the fullest extent possible, by insurance, is considered unwise as a business man. He cannot certainly be considered a live, up to date business man. Where a heavy loss from fire would result in loss to creditors, there is more than good business principles involved in the question. Under the latter conditions moral obligation rests upon the merchant to protect his creditors, and he who neglects to do so has not a keen sense of what is right and honorable under such circumstances. A business man who comes through a fire with a heavy loss to himself or his creditors, through neglect to adequately insure his property, has something to be ashamed of.

THE gardeners in the vicinity of Winnipeg have produced a large crop of onions this year. In previous years it has been usual to import onions from the United States or bring them in from Eastern Canada to supply the Winnipeg market, the local production not being equal to the demand. This year there is a surfeit, so to speak, of native onions, and they can be procured very cheap. A quantity could be made up to ship, but it appears there is no market available to which they could be shipped at a profit. In Eastern Canada markets onions are very cheap, being worth only 60 to 75 cents per bag (1½ bushels) at Toronto. Looking south we find them quoted at 18 to 20 cents per bushel at Minneapolis. In British Columbia onions are brought in from California very cheap and they are selling at Vancouver at about 75

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cents per bushel, in small lots, which would not permit of shipments from here, on account of the long railway haul and high freights. However, if those who have onions can hold them in good condition until spring, they may be more valuable. Onions are alleged to be a wonderfully healthy article of diet. A physician says: "I always have boiled onions for dinner for the benefit of my children. They are the best medicine I know of for preventing colds. Feed onions raw, boiled or baked to the children three or four times a week and they will grow healthy and strong. No worms, no scarletina, no diphtheria where children eat plenty of onions every day." If half of this is true, the local consuming public should take advantage of the large supply of cheap onions and make them a staple article of diet.

VERY disquieting reports have come from Europe of late regarding the situation in Turkey and China. All sorts of rumors have been in circulation regarding wars in which Great Britain would be involved. It has been asserted that Great Britain has been isolated from all the other powers and would have to stand alone in the event of hostilities. These rumors may be taken with a good deal of salt, but at the same time it cannot be denied that a great deal of jealous envy of Great Britain prevails, particularly on the part of France and Germany. Britain's commercial supremacy is the cause of this feeling, and the two countries named being her principal commercial competitors it is not to be wondered at that they frequently show their teeth. In Germany particularly any ill-will toward Great Britain which exists is due mainly to commercial rivalry. The German press has growled considerably of late about the continual colonial expansion of Great Britain, and this expansion is looked upon as a menace to German trade interests abroad. In one sense, however, these countries have little ground for complaint in the matter of the extension of British colonial possessions. The British free trade policy is applied to her possessions, while in the self-governing colonies the mother country receives no commercial favors which are not open to all nations. Foreign countries, therefore, have access to the British possessions on equal footing with the British commercial interests. This liberal trade policy has not been the plan followed by other nations, who have endeavored to exclude foreign trade from their colonies by arbitrary and restrictive laws.

Grain Trade Gossip.

The report that the New York Commercial Bulletin had stated that Manitoba wheat was selling in that market at 4 cents under Duluth wheat, turns out to have been an error, after all. In a late issue the New York paper corrects the impression that had gone abroad. In this connection the Commercial Bulletin says: "A paragraph from a well known exporter appeared in this paper recently in regard to the preference given Manitoba wheat by shippers claiming there was 4c per bushel in their favor over Duluth wheat. This has been misconstrued by the trade and Canadian papers to mean that the former were selling that much under the latter. This is not the case. No. 1 hard Manitoba,

which is quite equal to No. 1 hard Duluth, is, and has been, selling here within 5c per bushel of the latter. No. 2 hard Manitoba, which is equal to No. 1 Northern Duluth, has been selling at 2 to 1c under the latter in this market." From this it appears that the paragraph which the Eastern Canada parties (who are always trying to get a slap at the Manitoba grades) seized upon so vigorously to decry Manitoba wheat, was entirely misconstrued, and the New York paper itself corrects their statements. The Commercial Bulletin says that the Manitoba grades are quite equal to Duluth. It is not surprising, however, that Manitoba wheat should rule a shade under Duluth in New York, even for the same quality. The Commercial has several times explained the reason of this, namely; that Manitoba wheat, being in bond, can be sold for export only, while the New York buyer of Duluth has the option of either the home or export markets. This advantage in favor of Duluth is sufficient to give Duluth grades a premium over Manitoba, though in point of equality the two grades ought to be exactly equal. In this connection we might say that the last issue to hand of the Liverpool Corn Trade News, quotes no less than five sales of No. 1 hard wheat, in which the seller had the option of delivering either Manitoba or Duluth wheat on the contract at the same price, thus placing the two grades upon a par in the Liverpool market.

If the demand from Ontario millers for Manitoba wheat is to grow to very large proportions there will be need for more elevator room at convenient Ontario lake ports. This year there is a great scarcity of grain storage room for Manitoba wheat at Ontario ports. Owing to the larger shipments of Manitoba wheat to Ontario this year, all the elevator space at available ports has been filled up. In order to take advantage of the lower lake freight rates it is desirable that wheat intended for the Eastern Canada trade should be shipped before the close of navigation to eastern points, where it can be held in storage and supplied as required to eastern millers. This year shipments of Manitoba wheat to Ontario would have been much larger if storage room had been available there. The largest public elevator in Ontario, available for Manitoba wheat, is located at Owen Sound and is owned by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company. The capacity is about a quarter of a million bushels. There are smaller elevators at Midland, Sarnia and other points. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company have 1,200,000 bushels elevator space at Montreal, but this is too far east to be very valuable for the Ontario milling trade, as the wheat would have to be shipped through to Montreal and then shipped westward again when wanted by the mills, as the principal milling demand is from points west of Montreal.

The difficulty regarding the exportation of wheat from Manitoba, after the close of navigation, has been considerably modified by recent advices received. Three weeks ago The Commercial stated that Winnipeg exporters had been notified that only three grades of wheat would be received by the railways running into New York, for export via that port. Correspondence was at once opened by the Winnipeg grain exchange, through the medium of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, with the New York roads, with a view to securing arrangements, if possible, to ship a larger number of grades. These negotiations have resulted very successfully, and the New York roads have now agreed to furnish transportation and elevator facilities at New York for handling eight grades of Manitoba grain. On receipt of this information

a meeting of the Winnipeg grain exchange was held and the following grades of wheat were named for export via New York, after the close of navigation: No. 1 hard; No. 2 hard; No. 3 hard; No. 1 northern; No. 1 frosted; and No. 2 frosted. Two grades of oats were also named as follows: No. 2 white and No. 2 mixed. The necessity for selecting a certain number of grades for export is owing to the fact that bonded storage facilities cannot be provided at New York for a large list of different grades. With facilities for eight grades, however, the Winnipeg export trade will be in a much better position to ship wheat this year, after the close of navigation than it was in some past years. In addition to shipments via New York the Canadian Pacific Railway Company has announced that they expect to be able to make liberal arrangements shortly for the exportation of Manitoba grain all rail via Boston. This improved situation has caused much satisfaction in local grain circles, by opening the way to a good export business by all rail routes, after the close of navigation.

The season of navigation is drawing to a close and grain exports from Manitoba will either have to cease until next spring, or be made all rail through to ocean ports, subject to higher freight rates. Through all rail freight rates for this year have not yet been announced, but there is a strong feeling in local grain circles that the railways should strain a point this year to make a substantial reduction in freight rates. There are special reasons why an extra effort should be made to secure lower export freight rates this winter. The first is the low price of grain, and it is felt that the railways might share something with the farmers this year by making a special rate. The second important reason is the large quantity of low grade grain. Under the most favorable circumstances the grain would have to be sold at a comparatively low price, but with the choicest grain bringing very low prices in British markets, the low grade grain is risky stuff to handle at very much lower prices. Every little helps, and a good reduction in freight rates would help the producers who hold low grade grain. Still another special reason for an effort to secure lower rates is found in the probable insufficiency of elevator space here after the close of navigation. If a liberal all rail export movement can be kept up after the close of navigation, the danger of an elevator block will be largely removed, and it is, therefore, specially desirable that something should be done to encourage export shipments during the winter. The best way to do this would be to reduce through winter freight rates. At a meeting of the Winnipeg grain exchange last week the question of freight rates was discussed and a committee was appointed to wait upon the Canadian Pacific Railway authorities here to see what prospects there were for securing a lower rate.

The reason that the New York railways have agreed to provide facilities for handling a larger number of grades of Manitoba grain this winter is perhaps due to the expectation of limited exports from Eastern Canada. The New York roads are providing bonded storage facilities for fifteen grades in all of Canadian grain, but seven of these grades have been allotted to Eastern Canada grain, leaving eight grades for Manitoba. As wheat is held far above export values in Ontario there will be no wheat to export from there, hence Ontario shippers will not want space for so many grades at New York as in past years.

The Winnipeg Free Press, in referring to a Winnipeg divine, heads the article "Full 20 Years." This is the most prolonged jam-boree we have yet seen reported, but it is a shocking way to speak of a clergyman.

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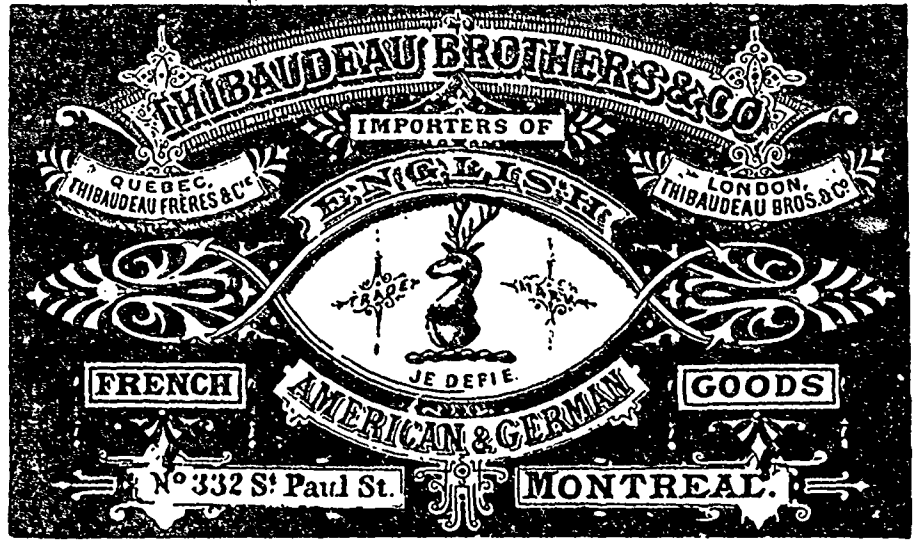
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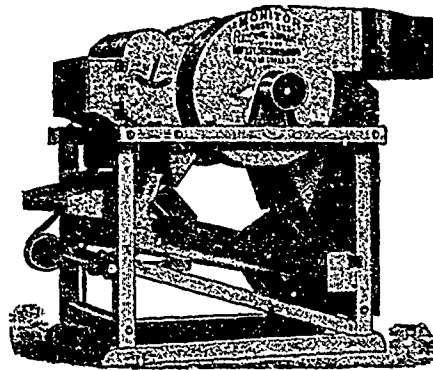
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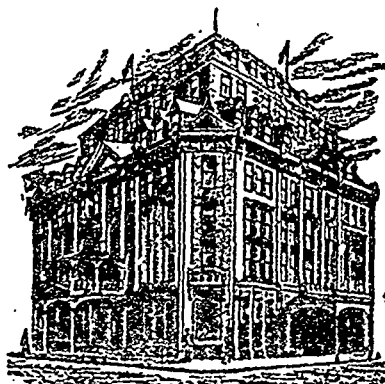
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THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

WINNIPEG, Saturday, Nov. 16, 1895.

The grain movement has kept up fairly large this week, but the amount of Manitoba wheat shipped east of our lake ports is still considerably under last year to date, for the season. There has been practically no movement in other grains yet and the crop of oats and barley may be said to be unbroken. Considerable flax seed, however, has been shipped out. Two weeks more will about wind up grain shipments by the lakes, and after that grain will have to accumulate in store here, or be shipped out all rail at higher freight rates. With prices sagging in the markets the past two weeks the outlook for values is not very hopeful after the close of navigation, unless in the meantime wheat should take a spurt in outside markets. Business in general wholesale lines is fairly satisfactory, taken all around. The export live stock trade is about wound up for this season and the returns show a large increase over last year. Exports of cattle will aggregate about 45,000 head, as compared with 30,000 last year, which shows a heavy percentage of increase. The labor market is active. There is a good demand for men for the woods, to get out saw logs, cordwood, railway timber and ties, etc. The supply of men is not equal to the demand. Bank clearings at Winnipeg this week, though not as large as the previous week, show an increase of 83 per cent. over the corresponding week of last year.

Business failures in Canada this week number 85, as compared with 94 last week, 83 in the week one year ago, and 85 two years ago.

Bradstreet reports the situation in the United States this week as follows: The condition of general trade is without material change. There is a distinct falling off in demand for iron and steel, with perhaps the heaviest reaction in quotations. In those lines reported in any week since the late boom in those metals reached its climax. Then there is the long list of decreases in quotations for merchandise, wheat, corn, oats, pork, lard and coffee, among food products; cotton and print cloths, and lumber, at Boston, as well as various grades of iron and steel, copper, lead and weaker quotations for tin plates being lower. The converse includes an unexpected improvement in woolen goods, increased orders for manufactures, and higher prices for several qualities of goods. Leather manufacturers are curtailing outputs which tends to strengthen the market for shoes, notwithstanding that mild weather has delayed sales. At Duluth the lumber cut of 450,000,000 feet is said to be the largest on record there.

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Nov. 16.

[All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

DRUGS.—Glycerine holds firm, but cream tartar is off considerable from the top price recently attained. Cod liver oil is firm. Following prices are for small parcels, and will be shaded considerably for full package orders: Allum per pound, 8 1/2 to 4 1/2c, alcohol, \$1.75; bleaching powder, per pound; 6 to 8c; bluestone, 4 1/2 to 5c; blue vitrol, 5 to 8c; borax, 11 to 18c; bromide potash, 55 to 75c; camphor, 75 to 85c; camphor, ounces 80 to 90c; carbolic acid, 40 to 55c; castor oil, 11 to 15c; chloride potash, 28 to 85c; citric acid, 55 to 65c; copperas, 24 to 4c; cocaine, per oz., \$7.50 to \$8.00; cream

tartar, per pound, 28 to 35c; cloves, 20 to 25c; epsom salts, 8 1/2 to 4c; extract logwood, bulk, 14 to 18c; do., boxes, 18 to 20c; German quinine, 80 to 40c; glycerine, per pound, 20 to 25c; ginger, Jamaica, 25 to 40c; do., African, 20 to 25c; Howard's quinine, per ounce, 35 to 45c; iodine, \$5.50 to \$6.00; insect powder, 35 to 40c; morphia sul., \$1.90 to \$2.25; Opium, \$1.50 to \$5.00; oil, olive, \$1.25 to \$1.40; oil, U. S. salad, \$1.25 to 1.10; oil, lemon, super \$2.25 to 2.75; oil, peppermint, \$1.00 to \$1.50; oil, cod liver, \$2.25 to 2.75 per gallon; oxalic acid, 13 to 16c; potash iodide, \$1.25 to 1.50; paris green, 17 to 18c lb; saltpetre; 10 to 12c; sal rocnello, 30 to 35c; shellac, 45 to 50c; sulphur flowers, 8 1/2 to 5c; sulphur roll, per keg, 8 1/2 to 5c; soda bicarb, per keg of 112 pounds, \$3.75 to \$1.25; sal soda, \$2 to \$3; tartaric acid, per lb., 45 to 55c.

CORDWOOD.—Good tamarac is held firm at \$1 per cord. We quote the following prices for car lots on track here: Tamarac \$3.75 to \$1 per cord; pine \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cord; spruce \$3 and poplar \$2.25 to \$2.50 per cord, as to quality, ash and oak, \$3.25.

DRY GOODS.—Some of the early travellers will start out the first of next week with spring samples, but spring samples are a long way from complete yet, and, except in certain lines and specialties, travellers are not ready to begin the canvass for spring orders. The situation favors the early buyers this year, as the outlook favors higher prices. The wholesale houses have large stocks bought some time ago for the spring trade, but many lines of goods, both in domestic and imported lines, could not be bought now, except at an advance of from 15 to 30 per cent., according to the class of goods. The trade is not taking advantage of this advance, but lines which have to be replenished will have to be sold at the advance. Late buyers this year are, therefore, liable to get caught on some goods. There is no doubt as to the firm position of dry goods prices. It is only necessary to look at the sharp advance in raw material, such as wools, cotton, etc., to see that goods turned out from the factories now must cost much higher than when the spring trade purchases were first made by the wholesale houses. The latest advance reported is in underwear.

FLUID BEEF, ETC.—Following are prices of the goods put up by the Johnston Fluid Beef Company of Montreal:—Johnstons Fluid Beef—No. 1, 2-oz. tins, per dozen, \$2.70; No. 2 4oz., \$1.50; No. 3, 8oz., \$7.88; No. 4, 1 lb., \$12.83; No. 5, 2 lb., \$24.30. Staminial—2oz. bottles, per dozen, \$2.55; do, 4oz., \$5.10; do, 8 oz., \$7.65; do, 16oz., \$12.75. Fluid Beef Cordial—20oz. bottles, \$10. Milk Granules—In cases of 4 dozen, \$5.10. Milk Granules with Cereals—In cases of 4 dozen, \$4.25

FISH.—British Columbia salmon 12 to 14c; B.C. halibut, 12 1/2c; Lake Superior trout, 9c; whitefish, 6c; pickerel, 3c; sturgeon, 7c; finnan haddies, 11c; kippered goldeyes, 30c doz.; oysters. \$2 for standards and \$2.25 selects, per gallon, some brands quoted 25c higher. Cans 55 and 65c. Shell oysters, \$7.50 per barrel.

GROCERIES.—Sugars sagged off a little in price at the end of last week and refiners were offering a shade lower. Quotations were the same as we reported a week ago at the refineries, but for good sized orders refiners were shading 1-16c at 4 3-16c. Refiners quoted yellows at 3 3-16 to 3 1/2c at the refineries. Dried fruits hold firm, particularly for currants and raisins which are very strong. A cable received yesterday said the crop of currants was exhausted in first hands and a telegram from Montreal reported that market cleaned up in both currants and raisins.

GREEN FRUITS.—Fancy varieties of early winter apples are scarce, and all good fruit is held firm. Catawba grapes are still in the market, but they are offering lower. New dried fruits are now on the way to this mar-

ket, and next week now dates and figs will be offering. Old fruit in figs and dates are offering lower. Old figs in 14-ounce boxes have been reduced to \$1 per dozen. Prices are: Lemons \$9 per box; Jamaica oranges \$6.50 per box; bananas \$3 to \$4 per bunch as to size; apples, fancy varieties, such as snows, kings, etc., \$5 per barrel, ordinary winter apples firm at \$3.75 to \$4, as to variety; Catawba grapes 65c per basket, large lots 55c per basket; Malaga grapes \$7.50 per keg; canberries \$11 per barrel; figs, 14 ounce boxes, \$1.00 per dozen; dates; 7 to 7 1/2c a lb; sweet potatoes \$5.50 per barrel Spanish onions \$1 2/2 per crate.

NUTS.—A few lines of new nuts have been in, but there has been no general supply. Some fancy paper shell almonds have been in and are selling at 23c per lb. Stocks of new walnuts, filberts and Brazil nuts will be here next week. The following varieties of new nuts from Ontario are offering: Black walnuts 8c; butternuts 9c; hickory nuts 10c.

TIN, lamb and 56 and 28 lb. ingots, per lb, 20 to 21c.

TIN PLATES.—Charcoal plates, I. C., 10 by 14, 12 by 12 and 14 by 20, per box, \$4.50 to \$4.75; I. X., same sizes, per box, \$5.75 to \$6. C., charcoal, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$8.50 to 9.00; I. X., per box, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$10.50 to 11.00.

TERNE PLATES.—I. C., 20 by 28, \$8.50 to 9.00.

IRON AND STEEL.—Bar iron, per 100 lbs. base price, \$2.50 to \$2.65, band iron, per 100 lbs., \$3.00 to 3.15; Swedish iron, per 100 lbs., \$5.25 to 6; sleigh shoe steel, \$3.25 to 3.50; best cast tool steel, per lb, 12 to 13c; Russian sheet, per lb, 12 to 13c.

SHEET IRON.—10 to 20 gauge, \$3.00, 22 to 24 and 26 gauge, \$3.25; 28 gauge, \$3.50.

CANADA PLATES.—Garth and Blaina, \$3.00 to 3.10.

GALVANIZED IRON.—Queen's Head, 22 to 24 gauge, per lb., 5c; 26 gauge, per lb., 5 1/2c; 28 gauge, per lb., 5 1/2c.

IRON PIPE.—5c to per 60 cent. off list.

CHAIN.—Best proof coil, 3-16 inch, per lb. 6 1/2 to 6 3/4c; 1/2 inch, per lb., 6 to 6 1/2c; 5-16 inch, per lb., 5 1/2 to 6c; 3/8 inch, per lb., 5 1/2 to 5 3/4c; 7-16 inch, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c; 1/2 inch, per lb., 4 1/2 to 5c.

SHEET ZINC.—In casks, 5 1/2c lb., broken lots, 6c.

LEAD.—Pig, per lb., 4 1/2c.

SOLDER.—Half and half (guar) per lb, 14 to 16c.

AMMUNITION.—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 35 per cent.; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 per cent.; rim fire military, American, 5 per cent. advance; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent.; shot shells, 12 guage, \$6 to 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5 1/2c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c.

AXES.—Per box, \$6.50 to 15.50.

WIRE.—Galvanized barb wire, plain twisted wire and staples, \$3.50 per 100 lbs.

ROPE.—Sisal, per lb., 5 to 8 1/2c base; manilla, per lb., 11 to 11 1/2c base; cotton, 1/2 to 1/2 inch ar 1 larger, 16c lb.

NAILS.—Cut, per keg, base price, \$2.35 to \$3; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.50 per keg; 3 to 4 inch, \$3.80 keg; 2 1/2 inch, \$4.09 keg; 2 inch, \$4.38 keg.

HORSE NAILS.—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List prices as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box; No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount off above list prices, 50 to 50 and 10 per cent.

HORSE SHOES.—Per keg, \$4.50 to \$4.75; snow pattern horse shoes, \$4.75 to \$5.

WHITE LEADS.—Pure, ground in oil, association guarantee, 5.75 per 100 lb., white lead, assorted 1 to 5 lb tins, per lb., 9c.

PREPARED PAINTS. Pure liquid colors, per gallon, \$1.15 to \$1.25.

DRY COLORS.—White lead, per lb., 8c; red lead, 5½c; yellow ochre, 2½c; golden ochre, 4c; Venetian, red, French, 8½c; Venetian, red, English, 8½c; English purple oxides, 4½c; American oxides, per lb., 3 to 4c. These prices for dry colors are for broken lots. ½ per lb. less when full kegs or barrels are taken. American vermilion, kegs, 15c; English vermilion, in 30-lb. bags, 90c per lb., less than bags, per lb., \$1, Paris green, 18 to 20c.

VARNISHES.—No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$2; hard oil finish, \$2; brown Japan, \$1; goldsize Japan, \$1.50; No. 1, orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50. These prices are for less than barrels, and include cost of cans.

SUNDRIES.—Glue, S.S., in sheets, per lb., 12½ to 15c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 17 to 18c. Stove gasoline, per case, \$1.00; benzine, per case, \$1.00; benzine and gasoline, per gallon, 50c. Axle grease, Imperial per case, \$2.50; Fraser's axle grease, per case, \$3.75; diamond, do, \$2.25 per case. Coal tar, per barrel, \$8; Portland cement, per barrel, \$1.00; plaster, per barrel, \$3.00; plasterer's hair, 90c; putty, per lb., 2½c. for less than barrels; barrels, per lb., 2½c.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT.—While there has not been any very marked change in wheat prices this week in leading markets, prices have averaged a little lower than last week at principal United States grain centres. Large shipments from Russia have been a weakening feature. Another principal feature in favor of the bears is the large increase in stocks during October. While stocks are still smaller now than they were a year ago, the monthly statements show an enormous increase in world's stocks during October. The statement compiled by the Liverpool Corn Trade News and Chicago Daily Trade Bulletin shows an increase of 33,220,000 bushels in October this year, as compared with 15,637,000 bushels increase in 1891. The position of Russia is a weakening factor. Russian officials claim that the crop is less than last year, but the large increase in stocks in that country and heavy shipments therefrom seem to indicate that the Russian crop figures, as usual, are thoroughly unreliable. Russian wheat exports exceed those of all other countries. The belief seems to be gaining some credence that the United States crop has been officially under estimated. Receipts have been enormous, and the visible supply has been growing fast lately. United States spring wheat receipts exceed last year by about 15,000,000 bushels. India shipments on this crop have largely exceeded last year. The future of wheat will depend a good deal upon crop conditions. Reports from Argentine regarding the crop are conflicting. Australian reports state the crop is poor, but Australia does not cut much of a figure anyway. The United States winter wheat outlook is greatly improved by the recent rains. Total exports of wheat, flour included as wheat for both coasts of the United States and Montreal this week aggregate 3,375,000 bushels, the largest weekly total this year since the middle of last January. Last week the total was 2,566,000 bushels, in the week one year ago it was 2,909,000 bushels, two years ago it was 2,641,000 bushels, while in the second week of November, 1892, exports amounted to 3,948,000 bushels.

In the local market the situation has been dull and weak. The principal cause of the local weakness is the near approach of the close of navigation. Two more weeks will about wind up lake shipments for this year, and after that any exporting done will be at much higher freight rates. This has caused a heavy sag in prices here. Shippers cannot buy wheat in the country now to ship out before the close of navigation, as there is more wheat now in store than can be handled by the lake route this season. Consequently buying in the country now must be done on a basis of all rail rates, or to store till spring. Prices have declined further in Manitoba country markets about 2c this week, and the price now at 18 cent freight rate points to Fort William is 40c per bushel for best samples. At most points 38 to 39c per bushel is now the top price paid to farmers. No. 2 hard and No. 2 northern, about 3c under No. 1 hard, No. 3 hard and No. 2 northern 7 to 8c less than No. 1 hard, No. 1 rejected about the same as No. 3 hard. Frosted wheats range from 20 to 30c per bushel. No. 1 frosted brings 5c less than No. 3 hard. No. 1 hard shipping prices have also been lower, influenced by lower outside markets, scarcity of lake tonnage, short elevator space at Ontario lake ports and large supplies of wheat in view. Canadian boats to carry wheat to Ontario lake ports have been scarce, but Buffalo tonnage has been obtainable at 6c per bushel. Low water is causing much annoyance to shipping in the lower lakes. At Owen Sound the elevator was handling wheat again this week, some space having been made. In Ontario the home grown wheat is selling on a par with No. 1 Manitoba hard and in some cases at a premium, owing to local scarcity there. The Canadian Pacific Railway was carrying out 300 to 325 cars per day to Fort William from Saturday last to Thursday, but not so many cars on Thursday. Some country elevator points are well filled up, notwithstanding the large shipments. Up to date about 7,600,000 bushels have been carried to Fort William and Port Arthur and about 1,000,000 bushels of Manitoba wheat to Duluth, since September 1, last. Car or round lots of wheat have ruled lower this week at between 55 and 56c for No. 1 hard, c.i.f. Fort William. No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern, 2c under No. 1 hard. No. 3 hard 5c under No. 1 hard. We quote No. 1 hard at 51½ to 55c to-day.

FLOUR.—A good demand is reported from the east and heavy shipments are being made before the close of navigation. There is no change in prices locally. Sales by millers here are made at \$1.85 to \$1.90 for patents, and \$1.65 to \$1.70 for strong bakers per sack of 98 lbs. delivered to city retail dealers. Second bakers \$1.40 to \$1.50; XXXX about \$1.15 to \$1.20 per sack, according to brand.

MILLSTUFFS.—City mills are selling at \$10 per ton for shorts and \$12 for bran, delivered in the city. Small lots \$1 per ton more.

OATS.—Business is still confined to the local trade. An effort will be made to do some export business in oats when the crush of wheat is over, but at current freight rates and values abroad the price here will have to be very very fine. There is no car lot business doing here. City dealers are buying farmers' loads at 16c, and 17c is paid for choice white, per bushel of 34 pounds.

BARLEY.—Feed barley is quoted locally at 18 to 19c and malting at 20 to 21c. No shipping business doing.

WHEAT.—Local farmers' market.—Farmers' loads are being taken at the mills here at 40 to 44c per bushel of 60 pounds for good milling wheat. Smutty wheat for feed, 30 to 35c per bushel.

GROUND FEED.—Prices range from \$11 to \$13 per ton, as to quality, the top price for rolled oat feed, and the lowest price for mixed mill feed.

OATMEAL.—Rolled oatmeal is quoted at \$1.35 to \$1.40 per sack of 80 pounds in broken lots to retail dealers.

OIL CAKE.—Ground oil cake meal is quoted at \$20 per ton in sacks.

FLAX SEED.—Flax at Chicago yesterday was quoted about 41½c. Prices to farmers in Manitoba country markets are easier at 60 to 65c per bushel.

BUTTER.—The market is steady and firm. A few lots of rolls have come in. Ordinary good lots of fresh late made dairy are quoted at 13 to 15c per pound, as to the percentage of choice. Dealers are selling at 16 to 18c for choice rolls and 16 to 17c for good to selected tubs. There is practically no creamery held here.

CHEESE.—Dealers are selling small lots at 7½ to 8c as to quality.

EGGS.—Dealers have been paying 18c for receipts of fresh this week.

LARD.—Lard is held very firm and still scarce. Prices are—Pure, \$1.95 to \$2.00 for 20 pound pails, and \$1.75 for 50 lb pails, pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$7 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 9½c per pound.

CURED MEATS.—The feeling is easier. The market will soon be supplied with new curing and likely at lower prices. Smoked Meats are quoted—Hams, assorted sizes, 12½c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 12½; do backs, 11c; picnic hams, 9½c; short spiced rolls, 7½c long rolls, 7½c; shoulders, 7c; smoked long clear, 9c; smoked jowls, 5½c. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 8½c per lb; shoulders, 6c; backs, 9½c; barrel pork, heavy mess \$15.00; clear mess \$15.00; short cut, \$17.00; rolled shoulders, \$15 per barrel, pork sundries; fresh sausage, 8c; bologna sausage, 7c; German sausage, 7c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package, pickled hocks, 2c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 30c lb.

POULTRY AND GAME.—Country shipments are now coming in. Chickens have brought 8c, geese 8, ducks 9c, and turkeys 10c for bright, unfrozen, well handled stock. Prices tend lower. Not much game offering. Wild ducks, 20 to 30c per pair, wild geese, \$1 to \$1.25 per pair, rabbits, \$1 per dozen, jack rabbits, 50c per pair.

DRESSED MEATS.—The principal feature is the decline in hogs, which was foreshadowed in our report last week. Yesterday packers dropped the price to 5c, and this is now the ruling quotation for lots of good average weight packing hogs. Packers are buying freely. The outlook indicates still lower prices. Beef is selling at 4 to 4½c. Considerable fairly good beef is offering at 4c, city dressed at that, by the side or carcass. Mutton and lamb is selling at 5½ to 6c. Veal 4 to 6c. Large calves 4 to 5c.

VEGETABLES.—Following are prices on the street market. Potatoes usually sell at 15c to 18c per bushel; cabbage 15 to 40c per dozen, as to size; celery 15 to 25c per dozen bunches; onions 40 to 50c per bushel; turnips 10 to 15c per bushel; tomatoes 2c per lb., green tomatoes 25 to 30c per bushel, Hubbard squash \$1.50 per dozen, parsnips 40 to 50c per bushel; carrots 25c, beets 25c bushel.

HIDES.—A few farmers' country hides have come in and dealers appear to want them badly, as they have been paying as high for them flat as they pay for No. 1 butchers, while the former will average No. 2. Advice from other markets are not favorable. A number of large tanneries have closed down in the States and prices are easy. We quote prices here at present. Winnipeg inspection, green, 5½c for No. 1; 4½c for No. 2, and 3½c for No. 3; branded hides grade No. 2, when not otherwise damaged to reduce them to No. 3. We quote: Calf, 8 to 15 lb skins, 5 to 6c per lb. Deacons, 15 to 25c each. Kips 4 to 5c. Sheep and lambskins recent kill, 30,

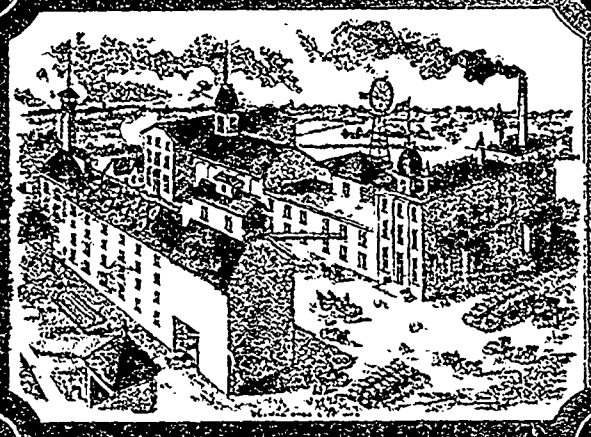
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SENECA ROOT.—Nominal at 18 to 20c per lb.

HAY.—Baled prairie is offered at \$6 on cars here, though some hold higher. Loose hay, \$5 to \$6 per ton on the street market.

LIVE STOCK.

Cables from British markets were better this week. At London on Monday choice Canadian cattle were quoted at 10c, and sheep 11½ to 12. There is a good deal of talk about American sheep arriving on the other side affected with scab, and there is a cry in favor of enforcing the slaughter of all sheep on arrival at British ports. At Montreal on Monday cattle were a little better, most sales ranging between 2½ and 3½c per lb. Hogs sold mostly between \$1 and \$1.10 per 100 pounds. Sheep were firmer, export sheep selling at 8 to 8½c per lb. and butchers sheep at \$3 to \$5.50 each. Lambs sold at \$1.50 to \$1.50 for lambs.

CATTLE—The export season for Manitoba and territory cattle is about wound up. The yards this week presented a deserted appearance. Gordon & Ironside made their last export shipment on Tuesday, consisting of 8 cars of range cattle. Total exports for the season are estimated at about 45,000 head, as compared with 30,000 head last year. This includes both range and domestic cattle. There will likely be some shipments to Eastern Canada markets for the Christmas trade. A train load of about 550 head of young cattle from Ontario came in this week, and were shipped west to be fed on the ranges. It is rather late in the season to bring in stock for the ranges, and they will likely have to be fed some through the winter. The local butchers' demand is better, as butchers are buying their winter supply, and good cattle are not too easily picked up. Prices are rather firmer, and we quote 2 to 2½c for fair to good butchers' stock. There is a limited demand for choice stock at 2½ to 3c, but only a limited number would be taken at the higher range.

SHEEP—A couple of mixed cars of sheep and other stock were shipped to Northwest Ontario points. We heard of a sale of 50 sheep and lambs here at \$3 per head. We quote about \$2.25 to \$2.75 per 100 pounds, off cars here.

HOGS—Prices declined to 4c this week, as predicted a week ago, and 4c is now the regular quotation, off cars here, for good packing hogs.

At Toronto on Tuesday some expert cattle were taken at 3½ to 3¾c per lb. But choice cattle were steady at 2 to 3c per lb as to quality. Hogs, the top price was \$3.85 off cars for best bacon per 100 lbs; heavy hogs \$3.75, sows \$3.00, stags \$2.00 per 100 lbs. Sheep were easier, the best price being 3c for either sheep or lambs, and ordinary butchers at 2½ to 2¾c per lb.

A consignment of fresh beef, consisting of 13 carcasses, 6 calves and 5 rumps of beef, sold at Montreal as follows: Hindquarters of beef at 6½c per lb, fronts at 3c, and by the carcasses at 4½c.

Ontario Crops.

A crop bulletin issued by the Ontario department of agriculture on Nov. 15th reports the poor hay crop in 1895 to be the most important item in farm production. There was a dropping off of over seventeen million tons, representing a greater loss than the value of the entire wheat crop of Ontario. There is a shortage of straw also. The corn crop was extraordinarily large and in many cases will help to make up the loss of coarser fodder. Grain crops turned out better than

anticipated, being well up to the average. Fall wheat is fair; spring wheat about an average; barley fair in quality; oats an extraordinary crop; peas fair; potatoes exceptionally large; roots fair; clover seed almost a failure; buck wheat under the average; beets very good.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 2 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

Wheat was lower on Monday, closing with a net decline of 1c under Saturday, influenced by lower cables, large Russian shipments and less exciting war news. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat.....	56½	57½	—	61½
Corn.....	29	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 10	—	—	9 40
Lard.....	—	—	—	5 80
Short Ribs. 4 50	—	—	—	4 82½

Wheat opened weak on Tuesday, with foreign selling and large spring wheat receipts, but recovered and closed a trifle over yesterday. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	56½	57½	—	61½
Corn.....	29	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 05	—	—	9 45
Lard.....	5 47½	—	—	5 82½
Short Ribs. 4 37½	—	—	—	4 82½

On Wednesday prices were firmer, influenced by larger export buying and smaller receipts. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	57½	57½	—	62
Corn.....	29½	28½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 15	—	—	9 55
Lard.....	5 45	—	—	5 87½
Short Ribs. 4 40	—	—	—	4 87½

On Thursday wheat was firmer most of the day the principal influence being lighter spring wheat movement. Later prices declined. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	57½	57½	—	62
Corn.....	29½	28½	—	29½
Oats.....	18½	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	8 10	—	—	9 45
Lard.....	5 47½	—	—	5 85
Short Ribs. 4 40	—	—	—	4 82½

Wheat was easier on Friday. There was a temporary advance, caused by export buying and lighter spring wheat receipts, but declined. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	56½	57½	—	61½
Corn.....	28½	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	18	18½	—	20½
Pork.....	—	8 07½	—	9 42½
Lard.....	5 47½	—	—	5 82½
Short Ribs. 4 45	—	—	—	4 82½

Wheat was very steady on Saturday, opening and closing at 57½c for December. Closing prices were:

	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	May.
Wheat....	57	57½	—	61½
Corn.....	28½	27½	—	29½
Oats.....	18	18½	—	20½
Mess Pork..	—	—	—	9 42½
Lard.....	—	—	—	—
Short Ribs. —	—	—	—	—
Flax Seed.. 92	92	—	—	93

A week ago November wheat closed at 57½c. A year ago November wheat closed 55½c.

New York Wheat.

On Saturday, Nov. 16, December wheat closed at 61½c, and May delivery at 67½c. A week ago wheat closed at 65½c for December and 68½c for May.

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—Nov. 5½c, Dec. 58½c, May, 68½c.
Tuesday—Nov. 5½c, Dec. 58½c, May, 68½c.
Wednesday—Nov. 5½c, Dec. 58½c, May, 68½c.
Thursday—Nov. —, Dec. 58½c, May, 68½c.
Friday—Nov. 5½c, Dec. 58½c, May, 68½c.
Saturday—Nov. 5½c, Dec. 58½c, May, 68½c.

A week ago to-day, (Saturday) prices closed at 51½c for November, and 51½c for December. A year ago November wheat closed at 60½c, and December delivery at 60½c. Two years ago December closed at 59½c. No. 1 hard was quoted at 1c over No. 1 northern, No. 2 northern, 2½ to 3c lower than No. 1 northern for cash wheat.

Minneapolis Wheat.

No. 1 Northern wheat closed on Saturday at 52½c for December delivery, and May at 57½c. A week ago December wheat closed at 53½c.

Furs, Hides, Seneca.

Jas. McMullen & Co., of Minneapolis, in their last circular says:

HIDES.—Although receipts have been light the market has been declining heavily for every grade of green skinned and dry hides. We have revised our prices accordingly. Hides are still commanding good prices compared with former years and we advise making prompt shipments.

FURS.—At the June sale prices declined very heavily, and the October sale shows a further decline from the June sale on a good many articles. The offerings were very light in the October sale or there would have been a still heavier decline. We discourage early trapping, and the only kinds of furs caught in the fall that are of much value are bear, beaver, mink, muskrat and Skunk. These will grade No. 2 or 3 in quality, and where caught early in the fall No. 4. Summer bear are not worth the transportation charges. Skunk are prime or No. 1 earlier than any other kind of furs. It is too early to give definite prices. Our European advices are that furs will have to be started in at unusually low prices; while badger, beaver, wild cat, gray fox and wolf are almost unsalable. Most badger we receive are No. 4 and worthless, as they stay in their dens through the winter and are only full-furred when caught in the early spring immediately after leaving their dens. Bear have gone out of fashion.

SENECA ROOT.—There are no orders for seneca, and the market is dull. This is rather singular because there has not been over half a crop dug this year, and can only be accounted for by the fact that consumers supplied themselves from the last year's crop, a portion of which was carried over.

Weather and Crops.

There has been considerable foggy weather this week with light drizzling rains and a little snow. The temperature has not been cold, but the ground was frozen too much for plowing. The plowing season may now be considered over and the area of land prepared for next year's crop is very much below the average. Thrashing has been going on as actively as the weather would permit, and though there was considerable damp, misty weather there was no soaking precipitations, so that considerable thrashing was done and much thrashing remains to be done yet, though in some districts thrashing has been finished in good condition.

J. F. A. Stull, of Prince Albert, has been appointed agent for the Royal Insurance Co. of London, England.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA BUSINESS REVIEW

Vancouver, November 12, 1895.

The Victoria Colonist in a recent issue publishes 250 interviews with leading men in Victoria and Vancouver, in reference to the state of trade, wholesale and retail, the progress of industries, the condition of the money market, and the increase or otherwise of traffic by land or sea.

In reading over these business talks, and making allowance for a natural tendency British Columbians have of sticking up for their own province, one must come to the conclusion that times are improving in British Columbia. Of the 250 interviewed, 215 declared that money was easier and times were improving and in their opinion would continue to improve. Of course the opinions expressed were very varied. The bankers in every instance modified their remarks in reference to the hopeful outlook of the province, by the statement that although there were indications of a betterment in business, the improvement would be so gradual, so insidious, that it would not be noticed. There would be no boom. The expressed opinion of a bank manager must necessarily be carefully considered. Many other prominent men who are doing a large share in building up the country, professed however that a boom would strike the province next spring, and in about two summers more would be at its height. The boom would be due to the development of the vast mineral wealth of the province by English capital, and that South Africa would sink into insignificance in comparison to the British Columbia excitement. Figures in inland revenue and customs department, express companies, transer companies, Canadian Pacific railway freight and passenger departments and Oriental and Australian steamers all indicate gratifying improvements in trade, so that it is altogether probable that a happy medium between these two extremes, will be the more correct forecast of the future. Better times. An era of prosperity must come. It is only a question of when will the long looked for boom arrive?

For the week past wholesale men report business improved. The chief feature in the market is the advance of butter, eggs and cheese. The last quotation received from Manitoba for creamery butter at Manitoba was 25c. No butter is being received from Manitoba or the Northwest. The only eastern creamery is being purchased in Montreal at 2 1/2, with a probable advance by the time this statement appears in print. There is no dairy offering.

All the old stale butter has been worked off. One firm had several hundred tubs. Two or three months ago they commenced to dispose of it at 2 1/2 and three cents a pound, but eventually they could not get rid of it even at these prices. They had made up their minds to sell it as a lubricant, when butter commenced to advance in price. Yesterday the lot was disposed of at 15 cents a pound. Local butter is bringing fancy prices. There is no dairy offering. Eggs are very scarce. Sugar has again declined. New fruit is coming in which causes considerable activity in the fruit market.

British Columbia Markets.

(BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.)

Vancouver, Nov. 16, 1895.

Butter.—Manitoba dairy butter, nominal, at 20c; Manitoba creamery 30c; Manitoba cheese 10 to 11c per lb.

Cured Meats.—Hams 19c; breakfast bacon 19 1/2c; backs 12c; long, clear 9c; short rolls 9 1/2c; smoked sides 10 1/2c. Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per pound; in rails and tubs 9 1/2c. Mess pork \$15; short cut \$18

Fish.—Prices are: Flounders 8c; smelt 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod 6c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 4c; herring 4c; salmon 7c; halibut 7c; whiting 6c; soles 6c; cr. 60c dozen; smoked salmon 12 1/2c; smoked halibut 10c; blotters 10c; kippered cod 9c; sturgeon 6c; trout 10c per lb.; salt salmon \$7.50 per barrel.

Game.—Mallards, 60c; pintails 50c; blue grouse 75c; willow 55c; widgeons, 35c; venison, 6c.

Vegetables.—Potatoes now, \$8 to \$10 per ton; onions silver skins, 1 1/2c; cabbage, 1 1/2c; carrots, turnips and beets, 1/2 to 1c a lb.; sweet potatoes, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.

Eggs.—Fresh, local, 35c; Eastern 19c to 22c per dozen.

Fruits.—California seedling oranges \$1.00; California lemons \$1.00; apples, 75 to \$1.15 California pears, \$1.50 per box; California grapes, \$1.35.

Nuts.—Almonds, 15c; filberts, 14c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 15c; walnuts, 10 to 16c lb.

Flour.—Manitoba patent, per bbl., \$4.70; strong bakers, \$1.50; Oregon, \$3.80; Oak Lake patent \$1.10; do strong bakers \$4.20.

Meal.—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$3.25; 15 pound racks, \$3.35; 22 1/2 pound sacks, \$3.45; 10.7 sacks, \$2.65. Oatmeal, 10-10's, \$3.24; 2-50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 50 lbs, \$2.70; 2-45s, \$2.80.

Grain.—Washington State wheat \$24.50 per ton f. o. b. Vancouver, duty paid. Oats 16.00 per ton.

Ground Feed.—National mills chcp, \$20 to \$22 per ton; ground barley, \$22 ton; shorts, \$18.50 ton; bran \$17.50; oil cake meal, \$26 ton; F. O. B. Vancouver, including duty paid on import stuff.

Dressed Meats.—Beef, 6 1/2 to 7c; mutton, 7 1/2 to 8c; pork, 7 1/2 to 8c; veal, 6 to 8c per lb.

Hay.—Nominal at \$8 per ton.

Live Stock.—Calves, 4 to 6c; steers, 3 to 3 1/2c lb; cows 2 1/2 to 3c; sheep, \$3 to \$3.25; hogs, 4 1/2 to 5c; lamb, per head \$2.50 to \$3.00.

Poultry.—Chickens, \$1 to \$6 per dozen.

Sugars.—Powdered and icing, 6 1/2c; Paris lump, 5 1/2c; granulated, 4 1/2c; extra C, 4 1/2c; fancy yellows 3 1/2c; yellow 3 1/2c per lb.

Syrups.—30 gallon barrels, 1 1/2c per pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2c; 5 gallon kegs, \$1.25 each; 1 gallon tins, \$3.75 per case of 10; 1/2 gallon tins, \$1.50 per case of 20.

Teas.—Congo: Fair, 11 1/2c; good, 18c; choice, 26c. Ceylons: Fair, 25c; good, 30c; choice, 35c per lb.

British Columbia Business Notes

F. W. Storie, blacksmith, Eburne, is out of business.

Samuel Driscoll, blacksmith, Fort Steele, is succeeded by D. McFarland.

Foran & Lynch, hotel, Kaslo, have dissolved.

T. C. McCulloch, fish dealer, New Westminster, has sold out to H. T. Green

Cookson & Plows, plumbers, Victoria, have dissolved; Charles Cookson continues.

Two more large shipments of beef cattle are to go forward to England from Ashcroft this fall, shipped by the Canadian Ranching Co.

T. W. Fletcher, sowing machines, etc., Victoria, has sold out to Fletcher Bros.

Frank Gaspardone, dealer in fruits, Victoria, is advertising to sell out.

J. H. Worth, butcher, Wellington is selling out.

The formation of Canadian and English mining companies to develop British Columbia mines have been numerous of late and is another indication of the coming activity in the Pacific provinces' chief industry.

Deer are being slaughtered in a shocking manner in British Columbia just now. There should be further restrictions in the provincial game laws as to deer shooting, or they will become extinct. Hunter's come home from their expeditions constantly boasting of their leaving the carcasses of a score or so of deer in the woods for the wolves to devour, not even keeping their hides.

A Vancouver telegram of November 12 says: The largest mining deal ever consummated in British Columbia took place to-day in the Okanagan country, when a syndicate of New York capitalists purchased no less than thirteen rich claims on Boundary Creek, including the world famous "Copper Mine," at Copper Camp. S. S. Fowler, Chicago mining engineer, is on the spot and is putting through heavy deals for Chicago and New York capitalists almost every day.

Port William Grain Inspection.

Up to Thursday, 14th of November, 11,007 cars of grain of this season's crop had been inspected at Port William, against 10,820 cars inspected up to the corresponding date last year. The amount of grain in store and on tracks at Port William and Port Arthur on the 14th inst. was 2,700,000 bushels, against 1,800,000 bushels in store at the same date last year. It is thought that on the close of navigation there will be over 2,000,000 bushels in the elevators. Subjoined is a detailed statement of the grain inspections up to the 14th inst.:

	Cars.
No. 1 hard	3,549
No. 2 hard	1,655
No. 3 hard	1,398
No. 1 northern	897
No. 2 northern	197
No. 3 northern	57
No. 1 white fife	31
No. 2 white fife	12
No. 1 spring	110
No. 2 spring	5
No. 2 goose	3
Rejected No. 1	457
Rejected No. 2	533
Rejected, No. 3 hard and No. 2 northern	319
Rejected, frosted	94
No grade	17
No. 1 frosted	1,145
No. 2 frosted	456
No. 3 frosted	16
Feed	31
Wheat, total cars	11,007
Oats, total cars	23
Barley, total cars	36

Total 11,071

Against 10,820 cars 14th Nov., 1894.

There were 1,593 cars inspected for the week ended 14th Nov., 1895, against 859 cars for week ending 14th Nov., 1894.

Further shipments of butter from Argentine have been made to England.

The main building of the girl's home and laundries of the Indian Home, at Elkhorn, were burned on Nov. 13. The boys' building was saved. It is estimated that the loss will be about \$10,000.

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In the lexicon of British Columbia there is no such word as "boom," but certainly the good old prosperous times are returning and things look very hopefully. Money is easy. Wholesale and retail business is still improving and a genuine "croaker" is as difficult to find as the proverbial needle.

British Grain Trade.

The Mark Lane Express, of November, 11, in its weekly review of the British grain trade says: During the week English and foreign wheats have declined 6d; sales of California cargoes have been made at 26s 9d; Oregon at 27s, and No. Duluth and Manitoba at 25s 6d. To-day English wheats were slow at the reduction. Foreign wheats recovered 3d. English and American flours were 6d lower, brewing barleys 6d down, and oats 3d off.

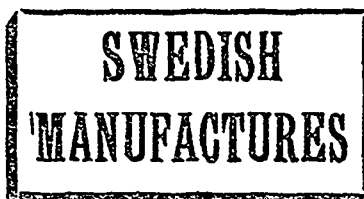
Wm. Clendenning & Son, Montreal, have assigned. The liabilities of the firm are \$175,000, of which \$418,000 is to the Banque du Peuple. Wm. Clendenning's personal liabilities are \$550,000, including a mortgage of \$511,000 to the Banque du Peuple.

At Montreal recently three cars of apples were disposed of at \$2.20 to \$2.50 per barrel for firsts, and at \$1.75 to \$2.15 for seconds at auction. One hundred boxes of Spanish onions sold at 16c per box.

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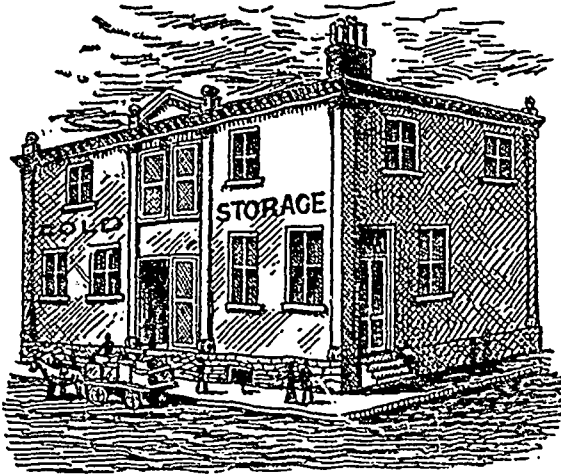
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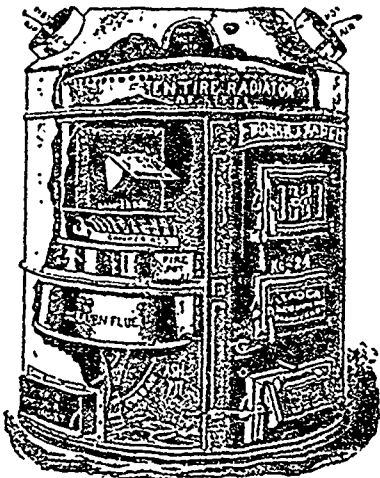
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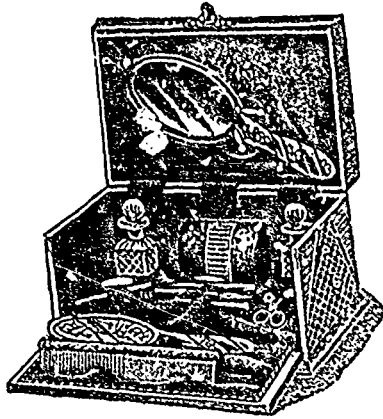
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Civic Government.

The committee which has been working for some time in trying to devise a plan for the better government of the city of Winnipeg, has presented its report as follows :

(1) The committee recommends the appointment of one chief officer to be appointed by resolution of the council, who will have charge or supervision of the general management of civic affairs under such direction of the council as may hereafter be defined, and who shall be called the general superintendent.

(2) The mayor and the chairman of the finance and works committees shall be an executive of the council, who shall meet at intervals with the general superintendent, whose recommendations and reports shall be submitted to them for their consideration.

(3) The superintendent shall have the right to sit at all meetings of council and committees, with the right of discussion but no vote. Notwithstanding anything heretofore recommended the executive may meet at any time without the presence of the superintendent.

(4) The superintendent shall be responsible for the proper execution of all by-laws within the jurisdiction of the council.

(4a) The head of any department shall upon his request furnish to him forthwith any information desired in relation to its affairs.

(5) He shall report promptly on all petitions, claims and other matters of importance, but shall deal with all minor details as he deems best; reporting his action thereon.

(6) All heads of departments shall be appointed by council, on the recommendation of the superintendent, except the comptroller, who shall be appointed directly by council. The superintendent shall appoint all other employees.

(7) He shall have power to discharge any official or employee, except the comptroller, for cause, but the discharged may appeal to the executive, and if sustained by that body the question shall be referred to the council, where a two-thirds vote will be necessary to sustain the appeal. Should the decision of the executive be adverse to the appellant, he may appeal to the council, where a two-thirds vote shall be necessary to sustain him.

(8) The dismissal of the superintendent shall require a majority vote of the whole council.

(9) The superintendent shall pass in review and certify to the correctness of all contracts. He shall also certify to, and submit for approval to the executive, all pay rolls and interim estimates, and the executive may authorize their payment.

(10) He shall have power to stop work on any contract not being carried out in accord-

ance with its terms and conditions, and the executive may authorize him to have the work continued by day labor until such time as the matter has been decided upon by the council.

(11) All reports to council shall come through the executive.

(12) The executive may at any time appoint a competent person or persons, not exceeding three in number, to examine, or may themselves examine, without notice, the affairs of any department, official or employee, and for the purposes of such or any other examination into civic affairs the executive shall have the power to summon witnesses, examine the same under oath, and compel the production of all papers or books bearing on the case; their power in all respects to be a full as those of a justice of the peace. The result of any examination shall be transmitted to the council without delay.

(13) The executive may call a meeting of the council, or of any committee thereof, at any time (subject to the usual notice required by by-law) for the purpose of submitting for consideration business requiring immediate attention.

(14) The executive shall have all the powers of the various committees of council, as laid down under by-law 511.

(15) The executive shall be a board of arbitration for the settling of such disputes as may arise between any employer and employee doing work for the city, either by contract or by day labor, within the city limits.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. ASHDOWN,
Chairman.
GEO. F. CARRUTHERS,
Secretary.

Monthly Wheat Statement.

Stocks of wheat east of the Rocky Mountains, United States and Canada, on November 1 were about 30,000,000 bushels smaller than one year ago. But they were not quite 8,000,000 bushels less than two years ago, only a little more than 8,000,000 bushels less than on November 1, 1892, and fully 50 per cent. larger than in the corresponding date in 1891. On the Pacific coast, totals of stocks of available wheat on the 1st inst., while about 2,400,000 bushels less than were reported one year ago, were about 1,900,000 bushels larger than two years ago, and nearly 1,000,000 bushels larger than in November 1892.

When grand totals of supplies of available wheat in this country and Canada are considered, the falling off on November 1 this year, compared with last, is about 82,000,000 bushels, but when contrasted with the like aggregate two years ago, the decrease is only 5,850,000 bushels. On November 1, for several years prior to 1892, grand totals of sup-

plies of wheat available in this country and Canada were smaller than that reported for November 1 this year.

For October, 1895, the total increase in available supplies of wheat, both coasts of the United States and Canada, was 20,411,000 bushels, almost double the increase shown in September, and a gain of 25 per cent. more than was reported in October, 1891, 40 per cent. more than in October, 1893, about 1,000,000 bushels more than in that month, 1892, and more than 3,000,000 bushels heavier gain than in October, 1891.

In considering what may be regarded as the world's available supplies of wheat, that is, here and in Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe, it remains true that the October total net increase of wheat supplies this year was the heaviest on record for six years with one exception, in 1889, when the October gain was 28,131,000 bushels, as compared with the increase this year of 23,800,000 bushels. The heaviest preceding October gains, since 1889, here 22,610,000 bushels here and afloat and in Europe in 1892, and 22,230,000 bushels in 1891. October's increase last year was only 16,480,000 bushels, about two-thirds the gain of last month, and in 1893 the total increase was 15,055,000 bushels. The excess increase of the world's available stocks of wheat during October this year, amounting to about 7,500,000 bushels, is explained by an increase of United States and Canadian wheat stocks, as compared with last year, of about 4,000,000 bushels, and additional visible supplies in and afloat for Europe accounting for the remainder.—Bradstreets.

Note.—Total stocks of wheat in the United States and Canada on Nov. 1 were 85,249,000 bushels, compared with 117,882,000 bushels a year ago, 91,025,000 bushels two years ago, 87,339,000 bushels three years ago, and 69,277,000 bushels four years ago.

World's stocks on November 1, (United States, Canada, in Europe and afloat for Europe) were 153,633,000 bushels, compared with 178,682,000 bushels a year ago, 173,225,000 bushels two years ago, 154,272,000 bushels three years ago, 133,641,000 bushels four years ago, 91,150,000 bushels five years ago, and 109,117,000 bushels six years ago.

Silver.

The silver market this week has been very dull and merely steady. Silver prices on Nov. 8 were: London 30 15-16d; New York 67 3/4c.

The Dominion government has appointed three commissioners to meet the U. S. commissioners recently appointed and confer with them on deep waterway communication. The commissioners are: T. C. Keefer, C. E.; Thomas Munroe, C. E.; and O. A. Howland, M. P. P.

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Wheat Stocks.

The visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Nov. 9, 1895, shows an increase of 3,916,000 bushels, against an increase of 1,191,000 for the corresponding week last year and an increase of 2,656,000 bushels the corresponding week two years ago.

The following table shows the total visible supply of wheat on the dates named for four years, as compiled by the Chicago board of trade and includes stocks at most important points of accumulation in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains. There are some important points not covered by this statement:

	1895.	1894.	1893.	1892.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.
Jan. 2...	88,681,000	80,223,000	81,238,000	45,907,000
Feb. 5...	83,376,000	79,883,000	81,300,000	43,161,000
Mar. 4...	78,765,000	75,609,000	79,088,000	41,566,000
April 1...	74,308,000	71,458,000	77,684,000	41,036,000
" 8...	72,703,000	70,762,000	77,204,000	41,177,000
" 15...	70,487,000	69,217,000	76,096,000	42,055,000
" 22...	68,628,000	68,425,000	74,806,000	39,149,000
" 29...	65,770,000	66,683,000	75,027,000	37,970,000
May, 6...	62,196,000	65,166,000	73,069,000	36,190,000
" 13...	59,623,000	63,510,000	72,082,000	35,190,000
" 20...	56,340,000	62,044,000	71,302,000	30,607,000
" 27...	54,244,000	61,329,000	70,169,000	29,527,000
June 3...	52,229,000	59,394,000	71,080,000	27,910,000
" 10...	49,739,000	58,211,000	70,682,000	26,950,000
" 17...	47,717,000	57,005,000	69,376,000	25,006,000
" 24...	46,225,000	55,872,000	68,081,000	24,561,000
July 1...	44,610,000	54,657,000	67,316,000	24,262,000
" 8...	43,350,000	53,114,000	66,879,000	23,130,000
" 15...	41,237,000	52,164,000	66,328,000	22,439,000
" 22...	40,437,000	51,771,000	65,901,000	22,068,000
" 29...	39,233,000	51,144,000	65,349,000	21,991,000
Aug. 5...	38,517,000	50,010,000	64,124,000	21,079,000
" 12...	37,839,000	49,321,000	63,869,000	20,232,000
" 19...	36,192,000	48,900,000	63,812,000	19,776,000
" 26...	35,083,000	48,771,000	63,400,000	19,350,000
" 31...	35,138,000	48,949,000	63,881,000	19,360,000
Sept. 7...	36,754,000	49,103,000	64,140,000	19,700,000
" 14...	38,097,000	49,214,000	64,331,000	19,411,000
" 21...	39,385,000	49,199,000	64,695,000	19,977,000
" 28...	40,768,000	49,413,000	64,528,000	19,901,000
Oct. 7...	41,832,000	49,614,000	64,711,000	19,250,000
" 14...	44,431,000	49,774,000	65,139,000	18,040,000
" 21...	46,190,000	49,859,000	66,078,000	16,402,000
" 28...	50,488,000	49,190,000	69,327,000	16,631,000
Nov. 4...	52,990,000	50,047,000	71,396,000	16,717,000
" 11...	56,936,000	51,240,000	74,052,000	17,203,000

Bradstreet's report of stocks of wheat in Canada on November 4 is as follows:

	bushels.
Montreal.....	312,000
Toronto.....	99,000
Kingston.....	8,000
Winnipeg.....	163,000
Manitoba elevators.....	1,925,000
Port William, Port Arthur & Keewatin.....	2,675,000

Total stocks in the United States and Canada as reported by Bradstreet's were as follows, on November 4, 1895:

	bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	75,593,000
Pacific Coast.....	9,651,000
Total stock a year ago were:	

	bushels.
East of the Mountains.....	108,072,000
Pacific Coast.....	18,180,000

Bradstreet's report for the week ended Nov. 11, shows an increase of 4,638,000 bushels in stocks of wheat east of the mountains, making the total 80,236,000 bushels on the latter date.

Reed & Barber, hotel, Vancouver, have dissolved; Thomas Reed continues.

J. M. Macdonand, who represents McIntyre, Son & Co., wholesale dry goods, of Montreal, in the west, will start out from Winnipeg on Monday with his spring samples. He says he has the finest range of samples this year which he ever carried.

The new elevator at Prescott, Ontario, has a capacity of 500,000 bushels. It is a little too far east to handle Manitoba wheat for the Ontario milling trade to the best advantage, but it will be a material assistance in the present congested state of the elevators at Ontario lake ports.

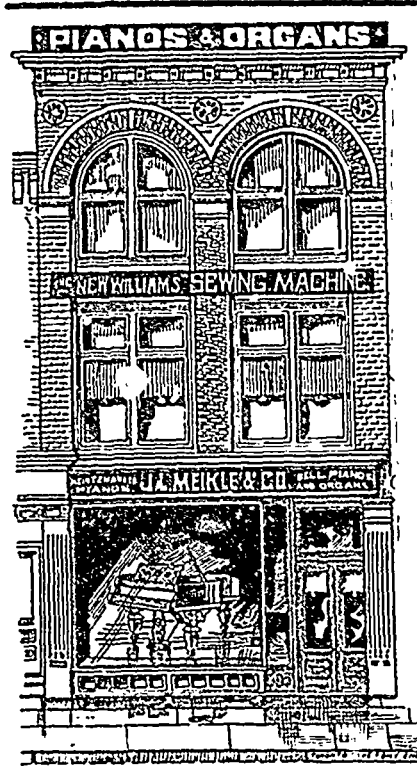
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Montreal Grain and Produce Market.

Flour.—There is very little doing in straight rollers, which are held at \$3.25 to \$3.80 f.o.b. in Ontario points, but what actual business has been done has been on a basis of \$3.10 to \$3.15 f.o.b. at Ontario points. Sales in this market have been made within the past two days at \$3.55 in 25 bbl. lots in store, while other sales are reported at \$3.60 in store. There can be no doubt that Ontario millers should get \$3.25 to \$3.31 at their mills to show them a profit, considering the high prices they are compelled to pay for their wheat, from 71 to 75c being paid by them, according to position.

Oatmeal.—In bags granulated and rolled are quoted at \$1.61 to \$1.65, and standard at \$1.50 to \$1.55. Put barley 4.25 in barrels and \$2 in bags and split peas \$3.50.

Bran, etc.—A fair demand is reported for Ontario, with sales at \$15. A few lots of Manitoba bran are on the way, and we quote \$15 to \$15.50. Shorts \$16 to \$17.50 as to grade.

Oats.—The market is firmer, with sales of car lots at 81c per 31 lbs. for No. 2, and 30 to 30½c for No. 3 and mixed.

Barley.—There has been some business in malting barley at from 50 to 52c; but sprouting samples are very scarce. Feed barley is quoted at 41 to 42c.

Dressed Hogs.—Receivers have been free sellers at \$5.50 to \$5.75 in jobbing lots. Car lots are quoted at \$5.25.

Butter.—The sale of the last half of October made of a creamery was made this week at 23½c and another lot at 23½c. Holders are asking 24c for the last half of their October make, with buyers offering 23½c. Choice Eastern Townships fall ends are wanted at 19 to 20c and in fact 21c has been obtained for small jobbing lots. Finest western dairy is worth 15 to 16c, with 16½c obtained for choice selections. Rolls have sold at 16 to 18c in boxes and tubs.

Cheese.—During the past week about 12,000 boxes have been sold on this market at 9½ to 9¾c for Western and at 8 to 9c for cold storage goods.

Eggs.—Held fresh stock ordinary has sold at 13 to 13½c and choice candled at 14 to 15c, the latter being a top figure. Montreal lined eggs are selling at 14½ to 15c for fine stock.

Honey.—Old extracted 5 to 6c per lb. New 7 to 9c per lb in tins, as to quality. Comb honey 10 to 12c.

Dressed Poultry.—Turkeys, nice fresh killed stock, at 8 to 8½c. Some small birds were sold at 7 to 7½c. Chickens have brought 7c and old hens 5 to 6c, geese 6 to 6½c and ducks 7½ to 8c.

Hides.—Dealers are still paying 6c for No. 1 light hides; but unless the demand improves, dealers say they will have to put down the price to 5c. We quote prices as follows: Light hides, 6c for No. 1, 5c for No. 2, and 4c for No. 3; Heavy hides 7 to 7½ cents; Calfskins 6c, Lambskins 60c.

Potatoes.—Receipts are large and low prices have to be accepted. Five cars of potatoes from New Brunswick were offered at 20c per bag, and refused, the quality not being very desirable. On track good Early Rose, Hebron and Chili can be had 85c by the car load. Poor lots are quoted at 20 to 25c.—Trade Bulletin, Nov. 8.

Loss of Grain & goes.

The present season has been a disastrous one on the lake for the insurance companies, and several Manitoba grain cargoes have been lost. We previously noted the loss of the cargo of the steamer W. B. Hall, bound from Fort William to Midland with 27,500 bushels of wheat. The most of the cargo

had to be thrown overboard in order to get the vessel of a reef.

Later the steamer Missoula, bound from Fort William to Buffalo with 60,000 bushels of wheat, shipped by J. K. McLennan of Winnipeg and consigned to New York parties, foundered and the cargo and boat were lost. The boat belonged to Cleveland parties. The steam barge City of Owen Sound and schooner J. G. Worts, loaded with Manitoba wheat shipped from Fort William to Kingston, are also reported grounded and filled with water. The Winnipeg shippers do not lose anything on any of the cargoes as they were all insured for 10 per cent. above cost.

Grain and Milling Notes.

An item published lately in eastern papers says: The board of examiners that fixed the flour standards at Montreal last week decided that millers could use 40 to 50 per cent of No. 1 Northern wheat to make the standard of Ontario straight roller flour. The millers say this action was made necessary by the Ontario farmers refusing to sell wheat at prices equal to what is asked in the outside markets, and that it will mean that Ontario millers can do with eight to ten million bushels less of Ontario wheat than heretofore, and that they will use more Manitoba wheat. The Commercial may explain that while No. 1 Northern would make a stronger flour than the eastern wheat, it would make a darker color. The board of examiners have therefore probably increased the strength and reduced the color of Ontario straight roller flour, so as to admit a larger admixture of Manitoba wheat.

Gariopy & Chenier are preparing to buy grain extensively this season at Edmonton, Alberta. They are erecting a grain warehouse capable of storing 20,000 bushels of grain.

Crowe & Co., Winnipeg, have received a letter from a large firm of Ontario millers, expressing great satisfaction with the Manitoba wheat used by them this season. The wheat, they say is first class, and is grinding even better, if that were possible, than last years' wheat.

The British wheat crop is of unusually fine quality this year, though not a heavy yield, and the home grain is in good demand for milling.

The new elevator at Prescott, Ontario, has started receiving grain, and will provide a little more storage room in Ontario for Manitoba wheat, where storage space is in great demand, all elevators being full.

Several cargoes of grain bound for Montreal, were reported hung up at the Corn wall canal on account of low water. The grain was intended for export via Montreal, and the delay is very unfortunate, as the early closing of navigation at Montreal may prevent the exportation of the grain this year.

Our Correspondence Column.

H. S.—The Commercial has already referred on two occasions to the shipment of Manitoba hay to Ontario, and each time we explained that hay could not be shipped from here to Eastern Canada points at a profit, at prices then ruling in the east. The situation has not improved any since then, but rather the contrary, as winter rates are now in effect. Hay could not be handled by the lake and rail route, as there is no space now available for it, all space being taken up by the grain and package trade. To ship hay all rail is out of the question, as the freight and expenses would amount to about as much as the hay would be worth at say Toronto. Our prairie hay would not sell within probably \$2 per ton of the price quoted for good timothy in that market, which is \$18 to \$14 per ton.

S. Coulter, flour and feed store, Viridon, has sold out to D. Fraser.

Receipts of hogs at Chicago last month says the National Stockman paper were unexpectedly heavy; in fact the largest on record for October, and the quality was about the worst on record, the receipts consisting largely of small pigs and unfinished stock. In the presence of plenty of cheap corn this is a remarkable showing. The only explanation for this condition is found in the presence and fear of disease; and the above facts indicate that its ravages have been much more extensive than is generally supposed.

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